

20484 to 20490. XANTHOSOMA spp.**Yautia.**

From Sanchez, Santo Domingo. Presented by Mr. A. Hyatt Verrill, through Mr. O. W. Barrett. Received March 30, 1907.

Seven apparently distinct varieties without further data.

20492. PITTOSPORUM PENTANDRUM.

From Manila, P. I. Presented by Mr. W. S. Lyon, of the Bureau of Agriculture, March 21, 1907.

"Seed of an evergreen shrub, very showy when in fruit. Found in the Zambales Mountains at an altitude of 300 to 600 feet." (*Lyon.*)

20493. (Undetermined.)

From Washington, D. C. Presented by Hon. Edward A. Moseley, secretary, Interstate Commerce Commission. Received April 1, 1907.

Hon-Qua. "Seed of a species of gourd-like melon which the Chinese use for preserve making and in soups. Mr. Moseley says that the seeds of this are characteristic, with a curious protuberance near the hilum. Chinese in this country pay 50 cents a pound for these melons. They are often kept for two or three years by the Chinese before using. The culture is the same as that given to watermelons. Flesh white and as firm as the part of a watermelon which is commonly preserved." (*Fairchild.*)

20495 to 20504. PHOENIX DACTYLIFERA.**Date.**

From Tempe, Ariz. Received through Mr. C. J. Brand during the winter of 1906-7.

Seeds from American-grown fruit of the following imported varieties:

- 20495. *Amari.* (P. L. H. No. 2066.)
- 20496. *Birket el Haggi.* (P. L. H. No. 2067.)
- 20497. *Deglet Noor.* (P. L. H. No. 2068.)
- 20498. *False Rhars.* (P. L. H. No. 2069.)
- 20499. *Hamraia.* (P. L. H. No. 2070.)
- 20500. *Kemp's Seedling.* (P. L. H. No. 2071.)
- 20501. (No name.) (P. L. H. No. 2072.)
- 20502. *Oga de Bedreschen.* (P. L. H. No. 2073.)
- 20503. *Purdy Seedling.* (P. L. H. No. 2074.)
- 20504. *Rhars.* (P. L. H. No. 2075.)

See remarks under next shipment.

20505 to 20507. PHOENIX DACTYLIFERA.**Date.**

From Tempe, Ariz. Received through Mr. F. H. Simmons, manager, Tempe Date Garden, March 10, 1907.

Seeds from American-grown fruit of the following varieties:

- 20505. *Deglet Noor.* (P. L. H. No. 2098.)
- 20506. *Rhars.* (P. L. H. No. 2099.)
- 20507. *Oga de Bedreschen.* (P. L. H. No. 2100.)

"Both lots, S. P. I. Nos. 20495 to 20507, were raised on imported offshoots grown in the Cooperative Date Garden in Tempe and were distributed with the expectation of securing some good varieties through seedlings." (*Brand.*)